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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
 Declaration and Power of Attorney is enclosed will follow.
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 Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
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A TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	15	-20	0	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$18	\$ 0	
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